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Petition of Central Illinois Public Service

Company, d/b/a AmerenCIPS, and Union
Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, for
Temporary Confidential Treatment of Certain
Information to be Filed with the Illinois Commerce
Commission Pursuant to Section 16-130.

## PETITION FOR TEMPORARY CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF CERTAIN INFORMATION TO BE FILED WITH THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

COME NOW Central Illinois Public Service Commission, d/b/a AmerenCIPS ("AmerenCIPS"), and Union Electric Company, d/b/a Ameren UE ("AmerenUE") (collectively referred to as "the Ameren Companies"), and pursuant to 220 ILCS § 5/4-404 and 5/16-130(c), hereby request the Commission to grant them temporary confidential treatment of certain information to be contained in their Annual Reports filed pursuant to Section 16-130. In support of their Petition, the Ameren Companies state as follows:

- 1. AmerenCIPS and AmerenUE are public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Illinois Commerce Commission.
- 2. Under Section 16-130(a)(7), AmerenCIPS and AmerenUE are required to report by March 1, 2002 their electric utility total revenue and net income for the year 2001 as it will be reported in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("FERC") Form 1 (due April 30, 2002).

- 3. The Ameren Companies consider the information required under Section 16-130(a)(7) for the year 2001 to be proprietary and confidential <u>until</u> such information is released to the general public on or about April 1, 2002, when AmerenCIPS and AmerenUE will file their Annual Reports on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). The release of this information prior to the filing of the Form 10-K reports could harm the Ameren Companies in the conduct of their business and could provide an unfair advantage to their competitors. Further, selective disclosure of this information at the present time (without having disclosed it to the general investing public) could constitute a violation of the SEC's regulations.
- 4. Section 4-404 of the Act provides that "[t]he Commission shall provide adequate protection for confidential and proprietary information furnished, delivered or filed by any person, corporation or other entity."
- 5. Section 16-130(c) of the Act provides that the Commission submit a report to the General Assembly summarizing the information provided by each electric utility under this Section. Further, it provides that "proprietary or confidential information shall not be publicly disclosed."
- 6. Therefore, these sections of the Act require the Commission to protect proprietary or confidential information. Consequently, AmerenCIPS and AmerenUE request the Commission to issue an order in this matter granting temporary confidential treatment of the information they provide in response to Section 16-130(a)(7) from March 1, 2002 until on or about April 1, 2002, when they will file their Annual Reports on Form 10-K with the SEC.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, AmerenCIPS and AmerenUE respectfully request the Commission to enter an order granting temporary confidential treatment of the information they provide in response to Section 16-130(a)(7) from March 1, 2002 until the filing of their Form 10-K reports on or about April 1, 2002.

Dated: February 28, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

CENTRAL ILLINOIS PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY, d/b/a AmerenCIPS

and

UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY, d/b/a AmerenUE

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## **VERIFICATION**

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I, Joseph H. Raybuck, an attorney for Central Illinois Public Service Company, d/b/a AmerenCIPS, and Union Electric Company, d/b/a AmerenUE, being duly sworn upon my oath, do hereby state that I have read the foregoing document and that the facts stated therein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and that I am authorized to file such document on behalf of said companies.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of February, 2002.

Notary Public

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Notary Public - Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
St. Charles County

My Commission Expires: Sept. 23, 2002